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In response to the Official Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel Claims 4, 5, and 7 through 10 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

✓ Please add Claims 11 through 15 as follows:

--11. (New) An observation optical apparatus, comprising:

an objective system;

an eyepiece system;

an erecting system for reflecting a light beam from said objective system and directing the light beam to said eyepiece system so that an image observed by said eyepiece system may be in an erect state;

a correction optical system constituted as a part of said objective system, said correction system correcting a shake of an image caused by a shake of said observation optical apparatus;

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a sensor for detecting the shake of said observation optical apparatus;

^{2, 10}
a driver for driving said correction optical system;

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a detector for detecting a drive amount of said correction optical system; and

a controller for controlling the driving of said driver based on an output from said sensor and an output from said detector.

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12. (New) An observation optical apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein said correction optical system is disposed ahead of said erecting system.

13. (New) An observation optical apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein said objective system includes an objective lens and said correction optical system.

14. (New) An observation optical apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein said correction optical system is disposed at a ray converging portion of said observation optical apparatus.

15. (New) An observation optical apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein said correction optical system is disposed coaxially with an optical axis of said observation optical apparatus.--